

WØMTL - Mark Twain Land Area News - WØKEM

JANUARY 2008 - HAPPY NEW YEAR!

HARC OFFICERS

PRESIDENT: HOWARD BARNES, KØDFW
V-PRES: J.D. SINCLAIR, WØAJD
SECRETARY: FRED MILLER, KBØWIL
TREASURER: TONY GILLILAND, WØPGL
TRUSTEE: CLIFF AHRENS, KØCA
EDITOR: BONNIE SINCLAIR, WBØWAP

Next Meeting: Wednesday
January 09, - 2008 at 7:30 PM
FCC VE TEST AT 8:30 PM

Regular Meetings are held at Beth Haven Nursing Home, 2500 Pleasant St., Hannibal, Mo.
Enter at the main entrance; turn left through the lounge area to the elevator. Take the elevator down to the first floor, and go to your right/left around the corner, down the hall to the cafeteria.

FCC VE TEST DATES FOR YEAR OF 2008

Hannibal, MO ARC 2008 Exam Dates

Wednesday, January 9, 2008 - 8:30 p.m.
Wednesday, April 9, 2008 - 8:30 p.m.
Wednesday, July 9, 2008 - 8:30 p.m.
Wednesday, October 8, 2008 - 8:30 p.m.

They will take place at 8:30 PM after the regular scheduled HARC meeting. The exam session will be at the Beth Haven Nursing Home, in the Cafeteria on the 1st (lower) Floor, 2500 Pleasant St., Hannibal, MO. Registration is required at least 72 hours before the exam session by contacting the team liaison, Cliff Ahrens KØCA at k0ca@arrl.net or 573-221-8618.

The 2008 test fee will be published at a later date. It goes to ARRL/VEC. Bring a photo ID (or two non-photo ID's); if currently licensed, bring the original and a photocopy of your valid FCC license; and if

you are claiming credit for successful completion of an exam, bring the original and photocopy of any applicable CSCE's.

HANNIBAL AMATEUR RADIO CLUB **Minutes By Bonnie, WBØWAP**

DATE: DECEMBER 12, 2007

Location: Beth Haven Nursing Home
2500 Pleasant St. Hannibal Mo. 63401

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY: Mark-NØZOF

Howie KØDFW relayed the news to us that our secretary, Fred, KBØWIL had fallen today and broke his wrist. We all wish him a speedy recovery. Be sure to send him a get well fast card, as we need him. Bonnie and Howie filled in for his absence.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES IN NEWSLETTER:

Motion to approve: JD, WØAJD
Motion seconded by: CAROL, WA9EFV

TREASURERS REPORT: Tony-WØPGL

Cash-\$ 869.42 CD-\$ 1,215.38

Total-\$ 2,084.80

Motion to approve: Bill, N9UPG

Motion seconded by: Ryan, KCØMYA

REPEATER REPORT:

Both repeaters seem to working okay at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

**HARC ANNUAL DINNER/ GET TOGETHER--
FEBRUARY 9TH, 2008**

We are going to have the clubs annual dinner/get together on Saturday February 9th, 2008 at the Golden Corral in Hannibal, starting at 6:00 PM. We have reserved a non smoking room, up in the front on the left hand side. The members and their guests are responsible for paying for there own meals. If you plan on attending please let Fred-KB0WIL know by the end of December, so we can have an approximate head count.

Note: We are **NOT** going to have our regular scheduled meeting in February 2008.

HARC Member of the year 2007:

No further nominations were added tonight for HARC member of the 2007 year. **Fred-KB0WIL** was voted in for this honor. CONGRATULATIONS Fred. You are very deserving of this award. Thanks for all you do! We hear that you have a checkbook, so Tony said go ahead and spend all you want for your trophy. Ha!

NEW HARC OFFICERS FOR 2008:

No further nominations were made for the 2008 HARC officers; however Mark N0ZOF declined his nomination for president. We thank him for serving this office for the 2007 year. And we thank all of those that volunteered to run for office for this next upcoming year. CONGRATULATIONS to the Newly elected officers for 2008:

President- Howie-K0DFW

Vice Pres- J.D.-W0AJD

Treasurer- Tony-W0PGL

Secretary- Fred-KB0WIL

OTHER NEWS

Mike NA9Q reminded us that the Quincy club will be having classes on updating licenses again this year. They start the 2nd week of January. See below for more information.

WIARC 2008 License Class

The Western Illinois Amateur Radio Club is set to begin the 2008 licensing class leading to the Technician Class Amateur Radio License. The course will be held on Tuesday evenings from 7 to

9 PM beginning January 8, 2008 and will run for ten weeks, concluding with the exam session on March 11. The classes will be in the Old Administration Building at the Illinois Veterans Home, 1707 N. 12th St. in Quincy. There is no charge for the course, except for the purchase of the text "The ARRL Ham Radio License Manual, 1st Edition" which will be available at the 1st session for the discount price of \$20.

For more information contact Joe Huie, K2PEY, at 217-222-2754 or via email: joehu@aol.com.

50/50 Won by:

Ryan, KC0MYA won the 50/50 and he donated it back to the club. Thanks Ryan, the club appreciates it.

HARC 2008 Dues!!!

Don't forget the club dues for 2008 are getting close. Please pay Tony-W0PGL, he will be glad to take your money.

NEW MEMBER VOTED IN:

Congratulations to our new member!
JOHN POTTER – BARRY, IL – KC9MMO

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Number of members present: 15

Number of guests: 3

Total: 18 in attendance

Motion to adjourn meeting:

Motion made by: Bonnie, WB0WAP

Seconded by: Carol, WA9EFV

Following the meeting all joined in, and enjoyed many delicious treats brought in, and all of the great conversations and fellowship. Ought to do this more often!

Minutes of the meeting as recorded by:
Bonnie, WB0WAP – filling in for Fred, KB0WIL

by Mudd-Veach Funeral Home, 606 main St.
Bowling Green, Mo. 63334.

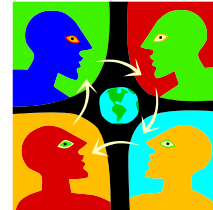
Tony, W0PGL



Pray for our soldiers and our great country

SILENT KEY

Just a note to let you know that our friend Glen Scott, W0VCT became a silent key at 2AM Saturday, 12-22-2007. Visitation was 4 to 8 pm Sunday, 12-23-2007. Funeral was at 2 pm Monday, 12-24-2007. Arrangements handled



Around the World

DX & Computer Horizons January 2008 by Cliff Ahrens K0CA

DXers got an early Christmas present as 2007 drew to a close. The ARRL DXCC Desk announced the addition of St Barthelemy (FJ) to the DXCC List, making the island entity number 338 with an effective date of 14 December, 2007. Cards with contacts dated December 14, 2007 or after will be accepted for DXCC credit after January 1, 2008. The addition resulted from the island being added to the U.S. Department of State's List of Dependencies and Areas of Special Sovereignty, which qualified it as a Point 1 Political Entity. Here's some highlights of upcoming DX in 2008.

SAINT BARTHELEMY, FJ. Martti Laine OH2BH and Olli Rissanen OH0XX/HP1WW, wasted no time in operating from this new DXCC entity, signing FJ/OH2AM. They have been on 40, 20 and 17 meters using CW and SSB. The length of their operation is uncertain, but their current hotel reservations end on December 27. QSL via OH2BN. Given the location and ease of travel, there should be many more operations from St. Bart's in coming months.

3Y/B BOUVET. Petrus ZS6GCM is a member of a scientific expedition to Bouvet Island and on December 19, 2007 was granted temporary permission to operate an Amateur Radio Station signing 3Y0E for the duration of the 2007/2008 scientific expedition, which is expected to end around February 14, 2008. The official web site is

www.3y0e.com. Petrus is relatively new to HF DXing, so please be patient with him in the pileups.

5H TANZANIA. Look for 5H9PD (operator Pat W8FV) on from Tanzania from December 20 to January 10. His operation will be mostly CW and some PSK31.

6W SENEGAL. Peter HA3AUI will be signing 6W2SC from Senegal and J5UAP from Guinea-Bissau from January 1 to April 15. QSL via home call.

8Q MALDIVES. Andrew G7COD will be on the air from the Maldives using the callsign 8Q7AK between January 21 and February 2. He will operate mostly SSB. QSL via home call.

Predicting future sunspot cycles is an inexact science. Some reports are that the next solar cycle will not be as good as prior cycles. But DXers can be encouraged by a recent prediction by solar physicist David Hathaway of NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center, who says that Solar cycle 24, due to peak in 2010 or 2011, "looks like it's going to be one of the most intense cycles since record-keeping began almost 400 years ago." The NASA article about this report is at: http://science.nasa.gov/headlines/y2006/21dec_cycle24.htm?list92065

If you're looking for QSL routes, Bernie W3UR, editor of the Daily DX has an excellent free source of information at: <http://www.dailydx.com/routes.html>. His page also has information about IRCs and "green stamps", currency conversions, and an interesting QSL collection.

Thanks to the Daily DX and the Ohio/Penn DX bulletin for some of the information in this month's column. Hope you had a wonderful Christmas, and all the best to you and your families in 2008.

73 and good DX, Cliff K0CA

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7	WØAJD	JD
14	WØPGL	TONY
21	KØDFW	HOWARD
28	N9UPG	BILL

Thanks to those of you who volunteer to call the net on Monday evenings. We would like to have more operators participate, so if you are able to call the net, please contact Fred, KBØWIL, and we will add your name to the list. Also, if any of the members listed are not going to be available, please contact one of the other members to replace you.

REMEMBER THIS IS YOUR CLUB!! BE SURE TO PARTICIPATE IN ALL OF THE ACTIVITIES. WE NEED YOU!

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